

**MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE
LICENSING COMMITTEE
HELD AT NELSON TOWN HALL
ON 18TH MARCH, 2019**

PRESENT –

Councillor K. Turner – Chairman (In the Chair)

Councillors

*Nawaz Ahmed
L. Crossley
D. Lord
P. A. McCormick
B. Newman
K. E. Shore
S. Wicks*

Officers in attendance

*E. Barton Solicitor
A. Smith Licensing Officer
S. Waterworth Committee Administrator*

(Apologies for absence were received from Councillors J. Purcell and G Waugh.)



15. DECLARATION OF INTERESTS

Members were reminded of the legal requirements concerning the declaration of interests.

16. MINUTES

RESOLVED

That the Minutes of the meeting held on 18th November, 2018 be approved as a correct record and signed by the Chairman.

17. APPLICATION FOR A REVIEW OF A PREMISES LICENCE UNDER THE LICENSING ACT 2003 – BOMBAY LOUNGE, 117B GISBURN ROAD, BARROWFORD

The Licensing Officer reported that the application was received on 28th January, 2019 from Pendle Borough Councils Licensing Authority. The contact for the applications submission is Mr. Mick Armfield (Licensing Enforcement Officer). The application specified continued breaches of the following licensing objectives for the reason of its submission: the prevention of public nuisance and public safety.

The Members and all relevant parties had received a copy of the report which included a copy of the application and the representations received.

Mr. M Armfield (Licensing Enforcement Officer), Mrs J. Dickinson and Miss C. Bramley (Environmental Health Officers) and Mr Hoque, the current premises licence holder and his solicitor attended the hearing.

The Committee considered all of the evidence produced in relation to issues of public nuisance and the impact on the licensing objectives.

RESOLVED

That the conditions are amended to include:-

- (1) All recorded and live music to cease at 12 midnight Friday and Saturday.
- (2) Should the premises noise limiter be inoperative or broken, no live or recorded music will be permitted.
- (3) When regulated entertainment takes place at least two SIA registered door supervisors will be on duty from 30 minutes before the entertainment commences until 30 minutes after the terminal hour for the sale of alcohol.
- (4) Regular checks, every hour, are to be made, by SIA personnel, to ensure that the following licence conditions are strictly adhered to:
 - C2 – All windows at the premises, apart from those in the toilets, shall be closed at all times when live music or recorded music is played at the premises.
 - C14 – All windows and external doors shall be closed when music is played in the premises.
 - C15 – No person shall leave the premises with bottles or glasses.

All checks must be recorded in a book with consecutively numbered pages and must be made immediately available for checking, upon request by a Police Officer or an Authorised Officer of the Council from either the Licencing Service or Environmental Health Services.

- (5) Before members of the public are admitted to the premise a member of staff must ensure that all emergency escape routes are clear and all emergency exit doors are open and available for use. Details of the person performing this task and the time and date these are undertaken must be recorded in a book with consecutively numbered pages and must be made immediately available for checking, upon request, by a Police Officer or and Authorised Officer of the Council from either the Licensing Service or Environmental Health Services.

REASON

In compliance with the licensing objectives especially with regard to public safety and the prevention of public nuisance.

18. STREET COLLECTIONS – PROPOSED AMENDMANETS TO THE COUNCIL'S REGULATIONS

The Planning, Building Control and Licensing Services Manager submitted a report regarding proposed amendments to the regulations in two areas; both after suggestions/ requests from applicants and Licensing Department had given them merit.

RESOLVED

That amendments to two of the regulation be made as follows:-

- (1) To remove the requirements for applicants, once their collection is complete, to place a notice in a local newspaper detailing particulars of the collection, within on months – current Regulation 16(b).
- (2) To increase the number of accounting organisations accountants can belong to, to verify forms of statements, by adding 'The Association of International Accountants' – current Regulation 16(d)

REASON

- (1) ***This was felt too onerous, given the associated costs, and can eat into the charitable funds collected. The Collectors already provide the Council with a form of statement as to how much was collected and how that money was utilised (Regulation 16(a)).***
- (2) ***That was felt to be pragmatic as the number of appropriate organisation has increased over time.***

Chairman _____